

Youth Recreation

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IN-PERSON PROGRAM

All classes follow social distancing and sanitizing procedures.

ARTS & CRAFTS

Paint on Canvas: Spooktacular Painting

Ages 6–14 with adult

Impress your friends with a Halloween masterpiece! Merry Time Arts will guide participants step-by-step as they create a spooky storybook scene on a 16" x 20" canvas, using acrylic paints and other supplies.

Fri, Oct 23

6:30–8:30 pm | \$50 res, \$53 non-res

Crystal Community Center

Register by Thu, Oct 15 | [F1233](#)

THEATER CAMPS

These camps use songs and games to teach participants to properly speak lines, choreography, character development, scene blocking, and more. Participants should dress comfortably and wear tennis or dance shoes.

Snow Queen Musical

Ages 5–8

Develop acting skills while reenacting a popular snowy story.

Thu–Fri, Oct 15–16

9 am–noon | \$55 res, \$58 non-res

Crystal Community Center

Register by Thu, Oct 8 | [F1272](#)

Grease! Musical

Ages 6–12

Safely learn music and choreography from *Grease!* and put together a performance for the last day of class.

Thu–Fri, Oct 15–16

1–4 pm | \$55 res, \$58 non-res

Crystal Community Center

Register by Thu, Oct 8 | [F1273](#)

LEARNING

Science In The Kitchen

Ages 3½–6

Enjoy some “hands-in” science and explore states of matter, chemical reactions, and more with experiments that bubble, fizz, crackle, and pop. Dress to get messy. **NOTE:** Flour, cornstarch, oil, and other common kitchen ingredients may be used but not consumed.

Mon, Oct 5–19

9:30–11 am | \$40 res, \$47 non-res

Manor Park Shelter, Robbinsdale

Register by Mon, Sep 28 | [F1418](#)

Dynamite Dinosaurs

Ages 3½–6

Journey back to a world where dinosaurs ruled the earth. Participants will learn how enormous and small these amazing creatures were, plus participate in a “mini” dino dig. This class features hands-on experiments, fossil study, and much more!

Mon, Nov 16–30

9:30–11 am | \$40 res, \$47 non-res

Crystal Community Center

Register by Mon, Nov 9 | [F1269](#)

Red Cross Babysitting Training

Ages 11–15

This course provides youth planning to babysit with the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly care for children and infants. Besides developing leadership skills, participants learn basic child care along with how to help children behave, how to develop a babysitting business, and how to keep themselves and others safe.

Upon completing the class, participants will receive Babysitting, Pediatric CPR, and First Aid certifications. They will also receive a small first aid kit and flashlight, student handbook, drawstring back pack, and a personal CPR face shield and glove set. Participants must provide their own lunch and snack.

Sat, Nov 7

8 am–6 pm | \$140 res, \$145 non-res

New Hope City Hall

Register by Mon, Nov 2 | [F1215](#)

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ATHLETICS

Lightsaber Sword Instruction

Ages 5–14

Learn Lightsaber skills, choreography, and create your own Lightsaber, just like the Star Wars movies. Master Tom Malone will safely teach strikes, blocks, and stances using padded training swords. If desired, students may bring their own Lightsabers to class.

Wed, Oct 14–28

6:30–7:15 pm | \$64 res, \$67 non-res

Crystal Community Center

Register by Wed, Oct 7 | [F1271](#)

Little Tigers Martial Arts

Ages 3–5

Students learn basic martial arts skills, including kicks, punches, and strikes, while developing coordination and flexibility through a variety of exercises. Master Tom Malone's class also promotes focus, discipline, and respect.

Tue, Oct 27–Dec 1

10–10:30 am | \$54 res, \$57 non-res

New Hope Ice Arena

Register by Fri, Oct 23

[F1120](#)

Youth Fencing

Grades 2–8

Each session will feature four basic components: TEACH IT—Olympic Fencing Coach Rob Sobalvarro's curriculum; PRACTICE IT—Practice the fencing moves with partners; MOVE IT—Use mock-fence to hone the moves taught; PLAY IT—Duel to gain experience before the in-class tournament. New and experienced athletes welcome. Safety swords, protective masks, chest plates, and jackets provided.

Thu, Oct 1–Nov 12 (no class Oct 15)

7:40–8:40 pm | \$79 res, \$84 non-res

Crystal Community Center

Register by Thu, Sep 24 | [F1110](#)

NATURE

All instruction provided by Three Rivers Park District

Survival skills

Ages 4+ (11 and under with adult)

Practice important wilderness survival skills, like how to build and light a fire and construct a shelter that will keep you warm and dry.

Tue, Oct 13

5:30–7:30 pm | FREE (registration required)

Sochacki Park

Register by Fri, Oct 9 | [F1270](#)

Out Looking For Birds

Ages 10+ (11 and under with adult)

Learn to use binoculars while picking up some birding tips and tricks. After instruction, hit the trails to see what's in the park! All equipment provided.

Sat, Oct 24

8–10 am | FREE (registration required)

Sochacki Park

Register by Thu, Oct 22 | [F1274](#)

PLAY

Fall Playground Adventure

Ages 7½–11

Need a break from distance learning? We have fun and exciting crafts, nature activities, and more planned this fall. Participants will be supervised by staff experienced in recreation and working with children.

Tue, Oct 13 & 20

Thu, Oct 15 & 22

2–3:30 pm | \$9 res, \$11 non-res

Brookview Park Large Pavilion

Register by Fri, Oct 9 | [F1261](#)

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FRIDAY FIELD TRIPS

Golden Valley Parks and Recreation will be exploring unique spots around the city (and surrounding areas) through biking and hiking adventures on Fridays this fall. These will provide a great opportunity to get outside, enjoy fall colors, and get exercise while safely socializing! Participants will be supervised by staff experienced in recreation and working with children.

NOTE: Participants must dress for the weather, provide a working bike and helmet for bike trips, and bring plenty water for all programs.

Oct 2: Cedar Lake Bike Ride

Ages 7–8

Staff will lead participants on an 8- to 9-mile ride to and around the beautiful Cedar Lake Trail.

10–11:30 am | \$5 res, \$7 non-res

Meet at Lions Park

Register by Mon, Sep 28 | [F1602](#)

Oct 9: Fall Colors Hike At General Mills Research Nature Area

Ages 7–12

Explore the beauty of Minnesota's fall colors on a supervised hike through the General Mills Research Nature Area trails.

10–11:30 am | \$5 res, \$7 non-res

Meet at Medley Park

Register by Mon, Oct 5 | [F1602](#)

Oct 16: Bike To French Park

Ages 9–12

Bike to and explore the trails at Three Rivers Park District's scenic French Park.

10–11:30 am | \$5 res, \$7 non-res

Meet at Lions Park

Register by Mon, Oct 12 | [F1602](#)

Oct 30: Halloween Hike At Quaking Bog

Ages 7–12

Join us for a festive day of tricks and treats, with a hike through the Quaking Bog and a themed treat. Participants are encouraged to wear their costume to add to the fun.

10–11:30 am | \$6 res, \$8 non-res

Meet at Wirth Lake Beach

Register by Mon, Oct 26 | [F1602](#)

